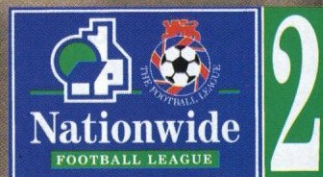


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From the manager's chair

AFTER our enforced three-and-a-half week layoff we now face our fourth game in nine days, and our third at home in that time, against local rivals Watford.

We extend a warm welcome to the players, supporters and officials of the Vicarage Road club, who come into this game on the back of a 20-match unbeaten run.

We possess a similarly impressive record in that we have only lost three games in our last 26, although we have won more in the equivalent period than Watford who have become the draw specialists in this division.

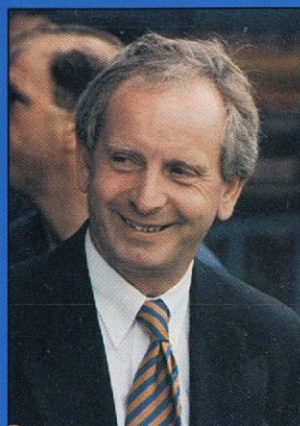
However, they will come into this game tonight with confidence high after a deserved victory against Oxford in the FA Cup third round last Tuesday.

The same evening we earned a draw against Bolton, and at the time of writing, the result of Saturday's replay is not known.

The game against Watford earlier in the season was a good one, and I felt that although Watford showed tremendous competitive spirit, we were the better side on the night and were unlucky not to win.

But I hope for the supporters' sake, and also for the sake of the Sky Sports viewers, that tonight is a better spectacle than that witnessed when the two sides last met here at Kenilworth Road, at the end of last season.

Looking back on our previous two home games, we were



with **LENNIE LAWRENCE**

decidedly rusty in the game with Wrexham, which was not a great surprise considering the afore mentioned layoff, which is the longest enforced break that I have experienced in my career.

A draw was all we deserved in that game, as indeed it was against Bolton Wanderers in our twice-postponed FA Cup tie last Tuesday.

Bolton showed what a good side they are in the first half, but we hung on in there, and I thought in the second half we were marginally the better side.

Although the manner of our equaliser - a flick from Ian Feuer, a shot by Des Linton, and a final strike from Marvin Johnson with his wrong foot - was unlikely in the extreme, I felt it was deserved over the 90 minutes.

It is interesting to note that having sustained a loss of league points against Watford,

and an eventual exit from the Coac-Cola Cup at the hands of Wimbledon, in stoppage time we have now won three matches - Bristol Rovers at home, and Millwall and Gillingham away - and gained a draw against Bolton, in the closing minutes or in stoppage time.

At least we are in credit in that particular scenario.

Tonight will be a major test both physically and mentally. Prior to the break we put in a number of winning performances in a short space of time, but have now been forced to play games just a day apart, with four coming in nine days.

The main difference in this instance is in the quality of opposition.

Hopefully David Oldfield will be fit to return to the squad this evening, and hopefully Kim Grant will return intact from his international duty with Ghana in Zimbabwe yesterday.

This will ensure both competition for front places, and cover in the event of injuries.

Gary Waddock and Andrew Fotiadis continue to make progress, although both will perhaps need a reserve game before being considered for first team duty.

Paul McLaren's hamstring injury may rule him out for a couple of weeks.

Congratulations to Liam George, who last week signed his first professional contract after some outstanding performances in the youth



team. I would like to take this opportunity to wish him every success in his professional career.

Supporters of both sides on duty tonight will be well aware of the tradition of developing such young talent at Luton and Watford down the years.

Finally, I have been asked to mention a Luton Town Supporters' Club function

which is being held here at LTFC, in the Eric Morecambe Suite, next Monday, February 3.

It is a 'Meet the Players' evening, with Ian Feuer and Dwight Marshall in attendance to take part in a 'Question and Answer' session.

Admission is £2 for members and £3 for non-members.

ABOVE: It's in there somewhere!
Marvin Johnson (partly obscured by no 4 Jamie Pollock) equalises for the Hatters in the third minute of injury-time against Bolton.

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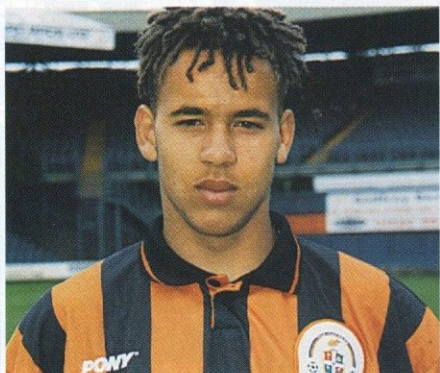
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Liam celebrates with a hat-trick!



TEENAGE striker Liam George (above) netted a hat-trick for the youth team last Saturday, to celebrate in style the signing of a new professional contract.

Liam, who celebrates his 18th birthday next month, had scored 18 goals for the youth team this season in 24 starts before this weekend's trip to Crystal Palace, as well as three goals in his four reserve team outings.

The former Cardinal Newman School pupil is currently in his second year on the Youth Training Scheme at Kenilworth Road, under the watchful eye of youth team coach John Moore.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL LUTON TOWN SUPPORTERS

Due to printing deadlines, this evening's programme went to press before Saturday's FA Cup third round replay at Bolton. We have done our best to cover all possibilities with regard to ticket and fixture details for the forthcoming weeks, but supporters are advised to listen out for further information on the public address system. Thank you.

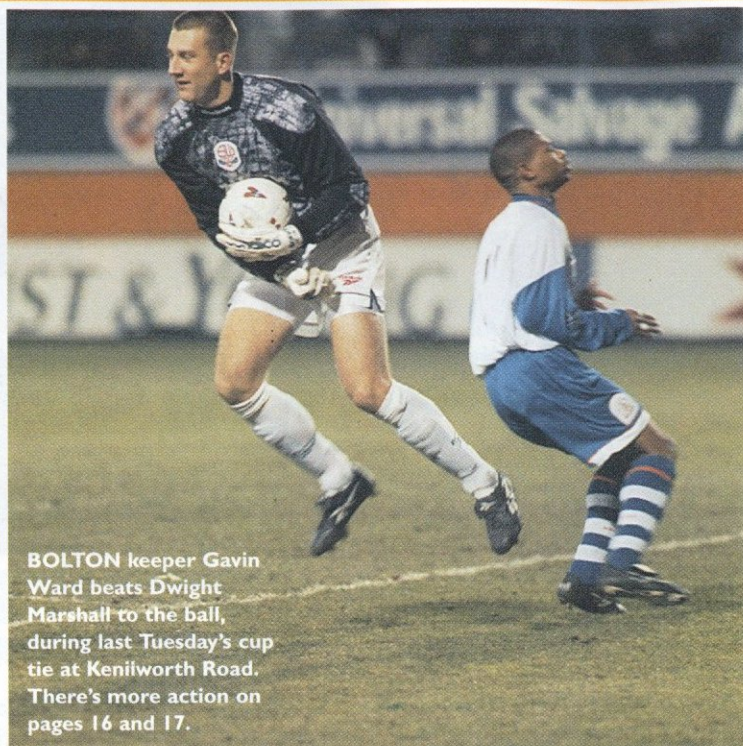
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BOLTON keeper Gavin Ward beats Dwight Marshall to the ball, during last Tuesday's cup tie at Kenilworth Road. There's more action on pages 16 and 17.

Our last visit to Roker Park, Sunderland

THERE'S another opportunity for Luton Town fans to say farewell to one of the best loved grounds in English football, with an FA Youth Cup tie at Roker Park, Sunderland, on Tuesday, February 11, kick-off 7.30pm.

The youth team travel north for this fourth round fixture, following Sunderland's win at Oldham in round three - when the Hatters won away at Torquay.... John Moore's side really clocking up the miles in this season's competition.

John Moore was in the Luton side

in perhaps our most famous game at Roker, in the sixth round of the FA Cup in 1973, with Sunderland winning 2-0 on their way to lifting the cup. The Hatters' last league visit was last season, with a 1-0 defeat when Dwight Marshall suffered a broken leg.

Sunderland move to a new 40,000 all-seater stadium in the summer.

NB: If a replay is required for the Youth Cup tie, it will be at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday, February 19, kick-off 7.30pm.

FRONT COVER: Heads it's a draw.... Steve Davis and Jamie Pollock challenge for the ball, during the closing stages of last week's FA Cup draw against Bolton. (Picture: ANDY HANDLEY).

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**LEFT: Steve Davis (right) in the
thick of the action during October's
1-1 draw between Watford and
Luton, at Vicarage Road.**

ALL the players are well aware just how important this game is to both sets of supporters, especially after the tremendous atmosphere created by such a large crowd at Vicarage Road earlier this season.

We felt a little hard done by on that occasion, with Watford's late equaliser, but I remember writing in programme notes soon after that these things tend to even themselves out over a season.

I had to again remind myself of that after Wimbledon snatched a goal deep into stoppage time in our Coca-Cola Cup replay here, but sure enough we eventually managed our own last-gasp heroics with last Tuesday's equaliser against Bolton.

These notes are being written before the replay at Burnden Park, so hopefully we are looking forward to hosting Chesterfield next week.

But whatever Saturday's result at Bolton, I felt we did ourselves proud in the first game, especially in the second half.

Bolton look set for a swift return to the Premiership, and have accounted for some big names in the cup competitions, but we really got stuck in after half-time and managed to create some openings.

I must admit I thought our chance had gone when I hit the post with five minutes to go, but all credit to the lads for battling away and we were rewarded by Marvin's goal.

Those last two words don't crop up very often in the same sentence, but we all have to play our part when it comes to goalscoring and it's important that everyone chips in!

After a break of over three weeks, tonight will be our fourth game in nine days, and while we all enjoy cup success the league has always been our number one priority.

So, apart from the obvious importance of a local derby, this match against Watford is vital. They are on a long unbeaten run and will be in contention for a promotion place.

Our goal must be to stay in the top two, and whilst we have games in hand on Brentford it is important to close the gap on them as soon as we can, and at the same time try to stay clear of the cluster of teams below.

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AS these programme notes are being written ahead of Saturday's replay at Bolton, the fixture picture still remains somewhat clouded.

If we have progressed to the fourth round, we will entertain Chesterfield on Tuesday, February 4.

We are still waiting to confirm new dates for the league games against Wycombe, Bury and also the away games at Chesterfield and Blackpool. But a provisional date of Tuesday, March 11, has been agreed for our game at Wrexham.

Fortunately there are no midweek league games scheduled for March and April, apart from Easter, so hopefully these games can be slotted in then, but of course we are also dependant on our own, and other club's, cup commitments.

The Auto Windscreens Shield game at Northampton will now be

From the secretary's chair



with **CHERRY NEWBERY**

played on Tuesday, January 4, kick-off 7.45pm, subject to us not being involved in the fourth round of the FA Cup. If we are in FA4, then the match at Northampton

will be a week later on January 11.

The youth team have been drawn away to Sunderland in the fourth round of the FA

Youth Cup. This game will be played at Roker Park on Tuesday, February 11, with a kick-off time of 7pm.

Elsewhere in the programme the kick-off time is given as 7.30pm, but I can confirm this has changed to 7pm.

If a replay is required it will be here at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday, February 19.

Our last scheduled reserve game at Hitchin Town is against Brighton on February 10, but I can confirm that the postponed reserve game against Swansea will be rearranged for Hitchin, to fulfill our commitment to our ICIS League hosts.

No new date has yet though been arranged.

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If we beat Bolton..... Luton T v Chesterfield

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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Saturday, February 1, 1997, kick-off 3pm

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Northampton Town v Luton Town

AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD - SECOND ROUND

If we are not in the FA Cup fourth round, we will play this fixture on Tuesday, February 4, kick-off 7.45pm. If we are in the FA Cup fourth round, the game at Northampton will be played on Tuesday, February 11, kick-off 7.45pm.

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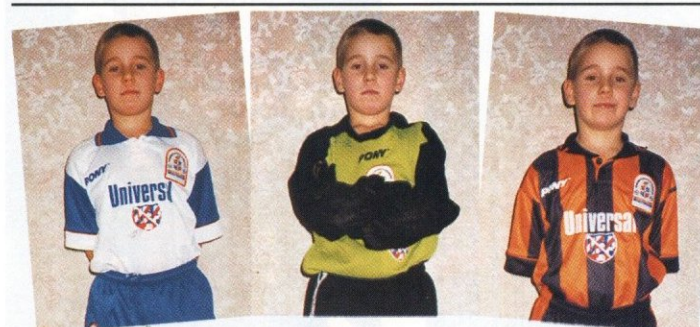


ABOVE: Following the postponement of the FA Cup game against Bolton, special hot air blowers were brought in at Kenilworth Road to make sure the league match against Wrexham, and the third attempt to play Bolton, went ahead.

Unfortunately this system was not available earlier in the week, having been in use at Northampton RUFC's Franklins Gardens where it enabled their vital Courage League match with Leicester to go-ahead during the cold spell.

But on arrival it did the job of thawing out the Kenilworth Road pitch, especially in the area sheltered by the main stand.

Ironically the equipment is owned, and hired out, by a man more used to sport in warmer temperatures - the former Northants and Somerset opening batsman Nigel Felton!



ABOVE: All I want for Christmas is.... the Luton Town kit! Santa came up trumps for nine-year-old Grant Mugford, from Hunter Drive, Bletchley, Milton Keynes, with three versions of his favourite team's playing strip. Grant's favourite player is Ian Feuer, and he attends matches with his Auntie Rose and Uncle Jim.

THE Football Programme Directory are organising the first ever Football Programme Fair at Bedford Town FC, in conjunction with the Supporters' Club.

The event, on Sunday, February 16, will run from 11am to 2.30pm, and admission is 25p. There will be light refreshments and bar facilities available.

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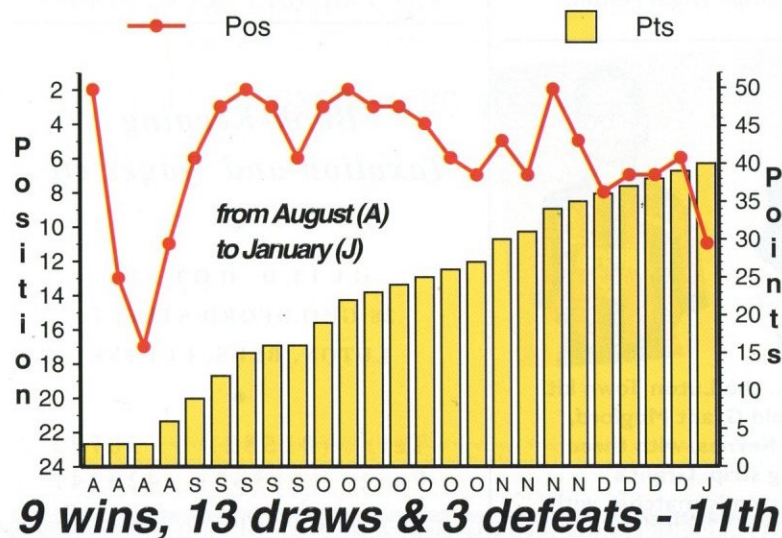


ABOVE: Back row: l to r: Kirk Wheeler (Football in the Community Officer), Kevin Belgrave, Dominic Ludden, Richard Johnson, Colin Simpson, Devon White, Colin Foster, Keith Millen, Steve Palmer, Clint Easton, Wayne Andrews, Roy Clare (Kit manager).

Middle row: l to r: Phil Edwards (physio), Jimmy Gilligan (Youth development officer), Kevin Miller, Nigel Gibbs, Richard Flash, Tommy Mooney, Robert Page, Kerry Dixon (now Doncaster), Craig Ramage, David Connolly, Alec Chamberlain, Bobby Downes (Director of Youth Football), Robert Kelly (Youth team manager).

Front row: l to r: Mark Rooney, Gary Porter, Steve Talboys, Kevin Phillips, Kenny Jackett (Manager), Luther Blissett (Assistant Manager), Gary Penrice, Darren Bazeley, David Holdsworth (now Sheff Utd), Nathan Lowndes.

LEFT: Tommy Mooney



ABOVE: Watford striker Devon White, pictured during October's 1-1 draw at Vicarage Road

ALEC CHAMBERLAIN - Former Luton Player of the Year, who joined Watford in July 1996 in a £40,000 move from Sunderland. Experienced keeper who has made over 450 senior outings, winning a League Cup winners' medal whilst on loan at Liverpool in 1995.

KEVIN MILLER - First choice goalkeeper and one of the most highly rated in the lower divisions. Joined the Hornets in 1994 for £250,000 from Birmingham City. Started his league career with Exeter, before a £250,000 move to St Andrews in 1993.

DARREN BAZELEY - Originally a right winger, now a right back, who made his first-team debut while still a youth trainee and is now in his sixth year as a professional.

GIFTON NOEL-WILLIAMS - Striker who became Watford's youngest ever scorer earlier this season, when still aged 16.

KEVIN BELGRAVE - First year pro, who has been a regular in defence for the reserves and youths.

COLIN FOSTER - Joined the Hornets from West Ham for £100,000 in March 1994. Experienced defender formerly with Orient and Nottingham Forest, before a £750,000 move to West Ham.

NIGEL GIBBS - Former England youth and Under-21 international who has suffered with injury in recent seasons. Granted a free transfer at the end of last season, he has stayed at Vicarage Road to win a regular place in the first team in the 96/97 campaign.

DOMINIC LUDDEN - Joined the Hornets from Orient in August 1994, after progressing through the youth ranks at Brisbane Road during which time he represented England Schools Under 18s.

KEITH MILLEN - Signed just before the transfer deadline in March 1994 from Brentford, in an exchange deal which took Barry Ashby in the opposite direction. Enjoyed 10 years at Griffin Park, and was a member of Brentford's 1992 Division Three Championship squad.

ROBERT PAGE - Watford's club captain and a former captain of the Wales Under 18 side. Has now become a regular in the full Wales squad, having recovered from serious injury early in his career. Missed much of the 93/94 campaign, but established himself in the Watford first-team last season.

MARK ROONEY - Defender who signed pro forms in the summer.

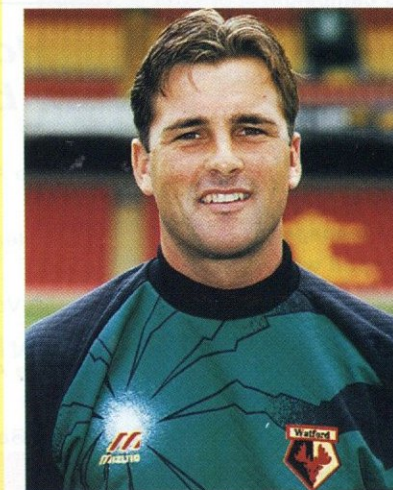
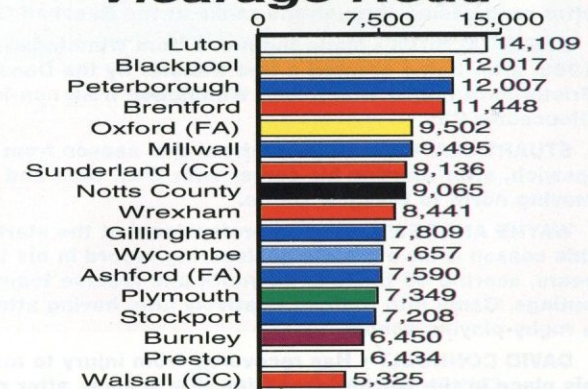
COLIN SIMPSON - Promising young forward who has risen from Watford's youth ranks.

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Attendances at Vicarage Road



KEVIN Miller



STEVE Palmer

CLINT EASTON - Hails from Essex, and is in his first year among the pro ranks at Watford.

RICHARD FLASH - Signed on a free transfer from Wolves in July 1996, having been signed for the Midlands club a year earlier by Graham Taylor. Birmingham-born player who was with Manchester United as a schoolboy, trainee and young professional.

RICHARD JOHNSON - Australian midfielder who has earned a reputation for spectacular long-range strikes on goal. Made his first-team debut in December 1991.

STEVE PALMER - Joined Watford from Ipswich in September 1995, for a fee of £135,000. Nicknamed 'The Professor' at Portman Road, a reference to his having obtained a degree at Cambridge University prior to signing professional terms with the Suffolk club.

GARY PORTER - Former England youth and Under-21 international who at the start of the season had made 463 senior appearances for Watford, with an eye on Luther Blissett's club record 503. Sunderland-born but now in his 13th senior year with Watford.

CRAIG RAMAGE - Last season's top scorer with 15 goals, who has been sidelined with injury for much of the current campaign. Joined the Hornets from Derby in February 1994 after progressing through the ranks at the Baseball Ground.

STEVE TALBOYS - Made the move from Wimbledon in July 1996, after being granted a free transfer by the Dons. Bristol-born player who joined Wimbledon from non-league Gloucester City.

STUART SLATER - Joined Watford this season from Ipswich, after starting his career with West Ham and then moving north to Glasgow Celtic.

WAYNE ANDREWS - Signed professional at the start of this season after a prolific goalscoring record in his trainee years, scoring 46 times in 89 youth and reserve team outings. Came into football relatively late, having attended a rugby-playing school.

DAVID CONNOLLY - Has recovered from injury to resume his place in the Watford front line this season, after netting two hat-tricks at the end of the 95/96 campaign. A prolific scorer for the youth and reserve teams, who made his full international debut for the Republic of Ireland last summer.

NATHAN LOWNDES - Joined the Hornets in October 1995 from Leeds United.

TOMMY MOONEY - Last season's Player of the Year, who joined Watford from Southend, having arrived at Roots Hall for £100,000 from Scarborough. Was a trainee at Aston Villa, signing professional forms for the then Villa boss Graham Taylor - now Watford's general manager.

GARY PENRICE - Now in his second spell with the Hornets, having re-signed for the club in November 1995 from QPR in a £300,000 deal. Started his career with Bristol Rovers before moving to Watford, then on to Aston Villa for £1 million.

KEVIN PHILLIPS - Joined Watford from non-league Baldock in December 1994, but has suffered with injury over the last two seasons.

DEVON WHITE - Signed from Notts County for £100,000 in February 1996, after spells at Lincoln, Cambridge, Bristol Rovers and QPR.

MEET THE MANAGER

Watford-born KENNY JACKETT (pictured below) has been with the club since his schoolboy days, becoming a key member of Graham Taylor's successful side of the early 1980s.

His playing career was cut short by a knee injury, after over 400 senior appearances and 31 caps for Wales, and on his retirement in 1990, Kenny Jackett remained at Vicarage Road assisting with the youth trainees.

In early 1991 he was appointed youth team coach, and in May last year he took charge of the senior side as Graham Taylor, who returned to the club in the spring, moved 'upstairs' to his General Manager's role.

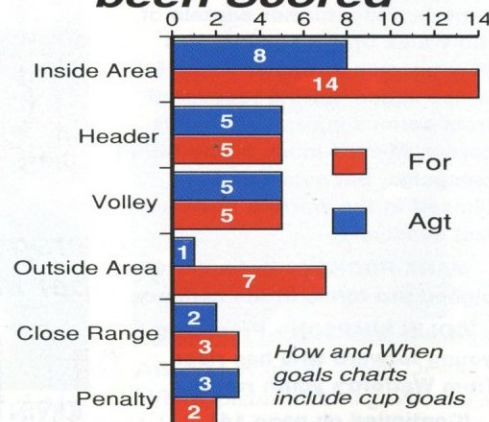
Jackett named another Vicarage Road favourite, LUTHER BLISSETT, as his assistant.

Blissett, once a £1 million signing for AC Milan, also came through the youth ranks at Watford going on to win full England honours, netting a hat-trick on his debut against Luxembourg.

Former Hornets' players BOBBY DOWNES and JIMMY GILLIGAN are Director of Youth Football and Youth Development Officer respectively, with ROBERT KELLY the Youth Team Coach.



How Goals have been Scored



A Hatter and a Hornet.....

Newport-born PETER NICHOLAS joined Crystal Palace from school and made his debut for the Eagles on the opening day of the 1977/78 season in a 3-0 win at Millwall.

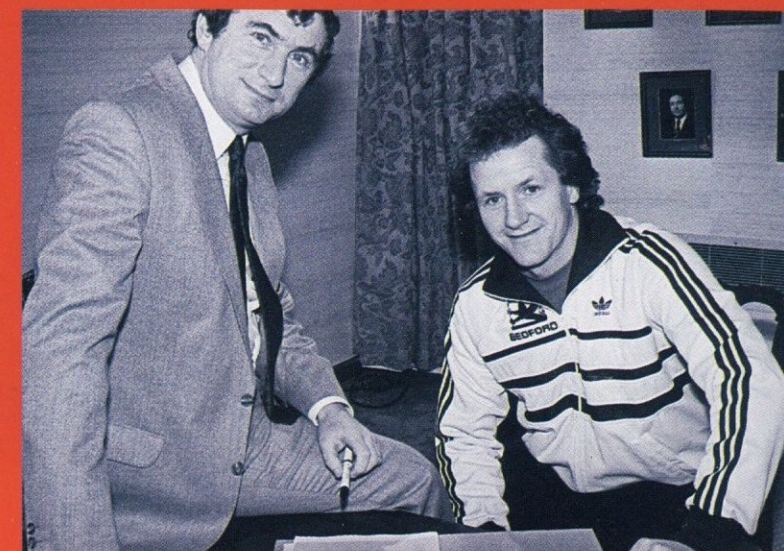
Winning a regular place in the side just before Christmas that year, Peter was then virtually ever-present for three seasons during which time Palace won promotion to Division One, were unfortunately dubbed the 'Team of the 80s', and were then promptly relegated!

By now installed as captain of Wales, Peter was transferred to Arsenal for £400,000 just before relegation was confirmed, but a succession of injuries meant that he did not have a happy stay at Highbury.

In order to play first-team football again he returned to Palace but was brought back to the top flight by David Pleat, for £155,000 in January 1985.

He was looked on as the final piece in the Luton jigsaw at a time when Mick Harford, Steve Foster and David Preece were added to the Kenilworth Road ranks, and shored up the midfield as we eventually avoided relegation in style.

He was then ever-present in 1986/87



ABOVE: Peter Nicholas signs for the Hatters in January 1985, watched by manager David Pleat.

as we finished in our highest ever position of seventh in Division One, but in a shock move he went to Aberdeen for £350,000 in the summer of 1987, the lure of playing in Europe too great to turn down.

Unfortunately an illness to one of his

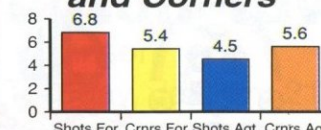
children brought him back south, to Chelsea, and from there he enjoyed a year at Watford before rejoining Chelsea as youth team coach. His final move came in 1984 when he joined the coaching staff at Crystal Palace. - ROGER WASH.

Bookings

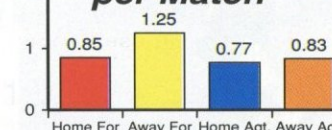


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Average Shots and Corners



Average Goals per Match



Goal Scorers



Hat-Trick Scorers
Cup
David Connolly



↑
This 85th minute shot from Steve Davis beat Bolton keeper Gavin Ward, but came back off the post.

← Celebrations for the Hatters after Marvin Johnson's injury-time equaliser.

← Tony Thorpe keeps his eye on the ball, under pressure from Chris Fairclough.

→ Bolton's Gudni Bergsson is sandwiched between Luton's Steve Davis and Mitchell Thomas.

ACTION STATIONS



Luton Town 1 Bolton Wanderers 1

(Johnson)

(Pollock)

Tuesday, January 21, 1997 - FA Cup (sponsored by Littlewoods) 3rd round

Attendance: 7,414

Pictures by Andy Handley

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TRUE or FALSE?

1. Johnny Haynes of Fulham was the first player to receive £1000 a week.

2. Manchester United won the first five Youth FA Cup Finals.

3. In 1969 Michael Doherty captained Burnley at the tender age of 19.

4. The last time the FA Cup attendance was over 100,000 was in 1977

? QUICK QUIZ ?

- Who are the only League side in Wiltshire?
- Which Scottish club plays at Broadwood Stadium?
- Who knocked Manchester United out of last season's Coca Cola Cup?
- In which year did England finish third in the Euro Championships?
- Who won the World Footballer of the Year award last year?
- Who are the only side to have played in all four English divisions and the Premiership?

WHO'S TROPHY CABINET?

Which club has lifted the following trophies?

FA Cup: 9 times
League Cup: 1992

Division 1 Championship:
1907/08, 1910/11,
1951/52, 1955/56,
1956/57, 1964/65, 1966/67

Division 2 Championship:
1935/36, 1974/75

Premier League Trophy:
1992/93, 1993/94,
1995/96

European Cup: 1968
Euro Cup Winners Cup: 1991

IN WHICH YEAR DID...?

Spurs win the League and Newcastle win the FA Cup, Hibernian win the Scottish League but lose the League Cup final to Motherwell who in turn lost the Scottish Cup Final to Celtic and, Alec and David Herd, father and son, play together in Stockport's last game of the season?

ALL THESE EVENTS TOOK PLACE IN THE SAME YEAR

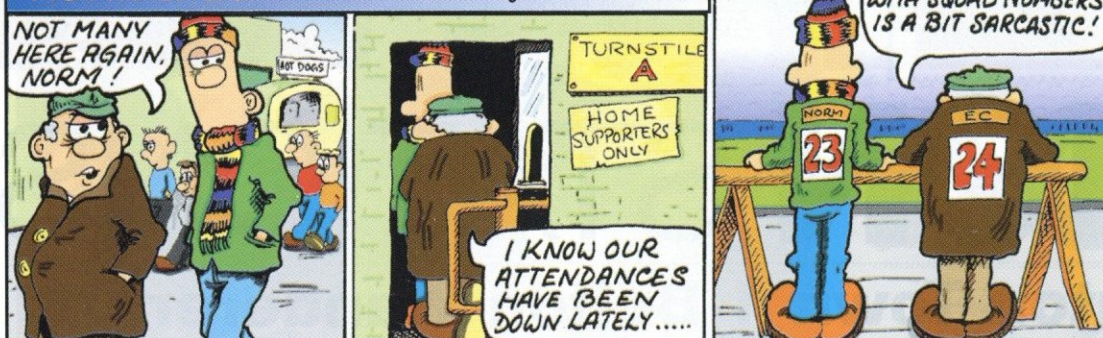


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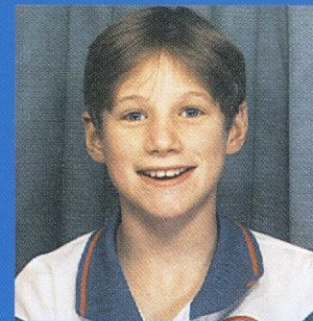
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Answers: 1. Swindon Town; 2. Clyde; 3. York City; 4. 1968; 5. George Weah (AC Milan); 6. Coventry City.
QUICK QUIZ: 1. Swindon Town; 2. Clyde; 3. York City; 4. 1968; 5. George Weah (AC Milan); 6. Coventry City.
WHO'S TROPHY CABINET? Manchester United
TRUE OR FALSE? 1. False, he earned £100; 2. True; 3. True; 4. False, it was in 1955.
IN WHICH YEAR? 1951.
SPOT THE GROUND: Wembley, England



Today's mascot



This evening's Junior Hatters mascot is 13-year-old SAM LITTLE, who attends Bedford Prep School. He plays for the school team, and his hobbies are football and swimming. Sam's favourite Luton Town player is Steve Davis, and he attends matches with his Dad, brothers and Grandpa.

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Tickets are £12 for adults and £10 for juniors, which includes match ticket and coach fare, and travel details will be given when booking. But please book early to avoid disappointment.

The Saturday Club has now started up again after the Christmas break, we entertained Wrexham juniors last Saturday, and for those of you who haven't attended the Saturday Club, you don't know what you're missing!

The Saturday Club is fully supervised, begins at 12 noon, at Dallow Road, Luton. We play football and other games for fun, and then have sausage and chips for lunch, so all you need to bring is suitable footwear and a drink. After lunch it's a short walk to the ground and to the family room in the Kenilworth Stand, and we watch the game from the Kenilworth End.

At the end of the match your parents can collect you from the Family Room. Five hours of fun costs just £3.50 for Junior Hatter season ticket holders and £6.50 for Junior Hatters - but please book by 4pm the Friday before the match.

The Saturday Club will be back for the home game against Plymouth on February 8.



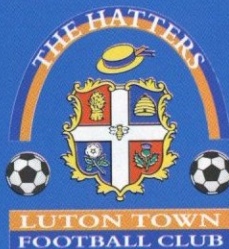
ABOVE: Our mascots for the FA Cup match against Bolton line up with the team captains and match officials, prior to kick-off.



LEFT: Benjamin Green, our mascot against Wrexham, is pictured with Graham Alexander and Marvin Johnson.

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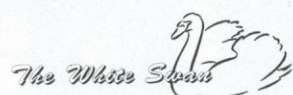
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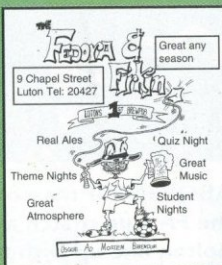
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'Over the Bar' Part Two is on page 52.....

Safety message for supporters

THOSE of you who entered the stadium at the Kenilworth Road end this evening will have noticed the number of vehicles that are parked in connection with this evening's coverage by Sky TV.

This means that the exit route outside the stadium, where those leaving the Main Stand and the Kenilworth Stand via exit 2 converge, is a lot narrower than usual.

In order to reduce congestion at this point it may be necessary to close exit 2 from the Kenilworth Upper Tier and direct supporters out of exit 3 on the Upper Tier.

This has been done before without any problems, and if this decision is taken then supporters in the Kenilworth Stand will be advised over the public address system towards the end of the game.

I apologise if this causes any inconvenience, but it may be necessary to maintain our safety standards.

On a more general note, we regularly find items of property that have been lost by supporters in the stadium. Many of these items are never claimed, but where the owners are identifiable we return the property.

If any supporter finds that, after leaving the game, they have lost some property please contact the club.

I will be only too happy to check the area you were sitting in, or arrange for you to have a look at any property we may have found.

At the last league game against Wrexham we found a small purse containing a sum of money plus a betting office slip. If the loser would like to contact me, subject to correct identification, I will be happy to return it.

Looking forward to the home game against Plymouth, on February 8, I would ask all supporters to support a research project being carried out by the Faculty of Business at Luton University.

They are looking at the relationships between football clubs and the fans.

They will be giving out questionnaires at the next few games and we would ask you to help by filling them in and returning them, in the pre-paid envelope, to the University.

All questionnaires go into a prize draw at the end of the season. Your views and opinions are important.

GEOFF LOVELL - Safety Manager.



ABOVE: Tony Thorpe takes on the Bolton defence during last week's 1-1 draw.

Chesterfield await third round winners

THE winners of our FA Cup third round tie with Bolton will be at home to Chesterfield in round four.

The Spireites booked their place at either Kenilworth Road or Burnden Park with last Tuesday's 2-0 home win over Bristol City.

This evening's programme went to press before our third round replay at Bolton at Burnden Park on Saturday.

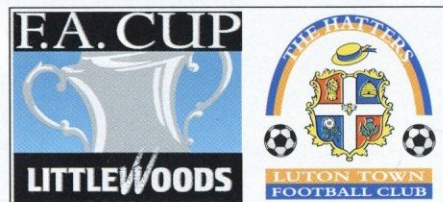
Watford booked their place in round four with Tuesday's 2-0 win over Oxford, a game which started 45 minutes late due to floodlight failure.

Devon White and David Connolly scored second-half goals to send the Hornets through.

The fourth round was scheduled for the weekend of January 25 and 26, but several third round replays were played on those dates, plus two original third round games.

Because of the bad weather, 50 teams went into the fourth round draw, with 18 third round ties undecided and only 14 clubs assured of their place in the fourth round. The pairings mean that at least five Nationwide League teams will go into the last 16.

It was the worst affected third round weekend since 1979, when only three ties survived, though that pales into



insignificance in comparison with 1963 when the round lasted 66 days due to bad weather, power cuts and no undersoil heating, ending on March 11!

Fourth round draw:

Peterborough v Wrexham or West Ham
Newcastle v Nottingham Forest
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LUTON or Bolton v Chesterfield
Birmingham v Stoke or Stockport
QPR v Barnsley
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Carlisle v Sheffield Wed
Everton v Bradford City
Hednesford v Middlesbrough
Chelsea v Liverpool
Derby v Aston Villa
Leicester v Norwich
Arsenal v C Palace or Leeds
Brentford or Man City v Watford
Manchester Utd v Wimbledon



This evening's Commercial Mascot is 11-year-old JAMIE FISH, who celebrated his birthday on January 23. He attends Tennyson Road Primary School, and his favourite Luton player is goalkeeper Ian Feuer.

ABOVE: Luton Town manager Lennie Lawrence made a presentation to Holmemead Middle School, in Biggleswade, prior to the home game against Wrexham. The presentation followed Lennie's Manager of the Month Award earlier this season, which includes a donation of £150, from the league sponsors Nationwide, towards the purchase of sports equipment for a school or youth organisation.

Wheely great news for Community schemes!

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Wagon Wheels has long been associated with football and in 1995 launched the Wagon Wheels Indoor Cup, a national five-a-side indoor football competition for boys and girls under the age of 12.

It attracted 15,000 participants, and this year entries from boys teams are up by 10 per cent and from girls teams by a staggering 66 per cent.

Derby dash for striker Grant!



LEFT: Kim Grant - back from Africa?

HATTERS striker Kim Grant is facing a 'derby dash' in a bid to get back in time for tonight's game, after another trip to Africa for international duty with Ghana.

Kim was in the Ghanaian squad for yesterday's African Nations Cup match against Zimbabwe, just two weeks after playing in their World Cup qualifier against Morocco.

Hatters manager Lennie Lawrence commented: "It's a busy schedule which Ghana face. It's the equivalent of England playing World Cup and European Championship qualifying matches at the same time."

LUTON TOWN v BRENTFORD

Nationwide League Division Two

This game will now be played on **FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1997,** kick-off 7.45pm, and will be **televised live on Sky Sports.**

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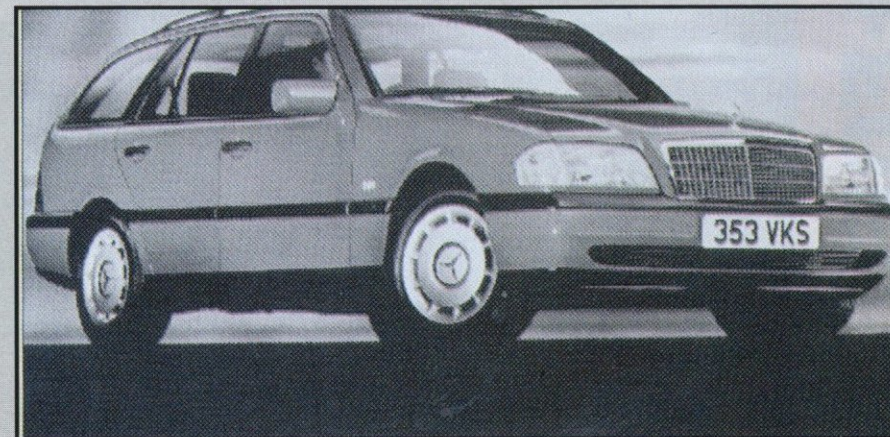
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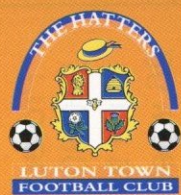
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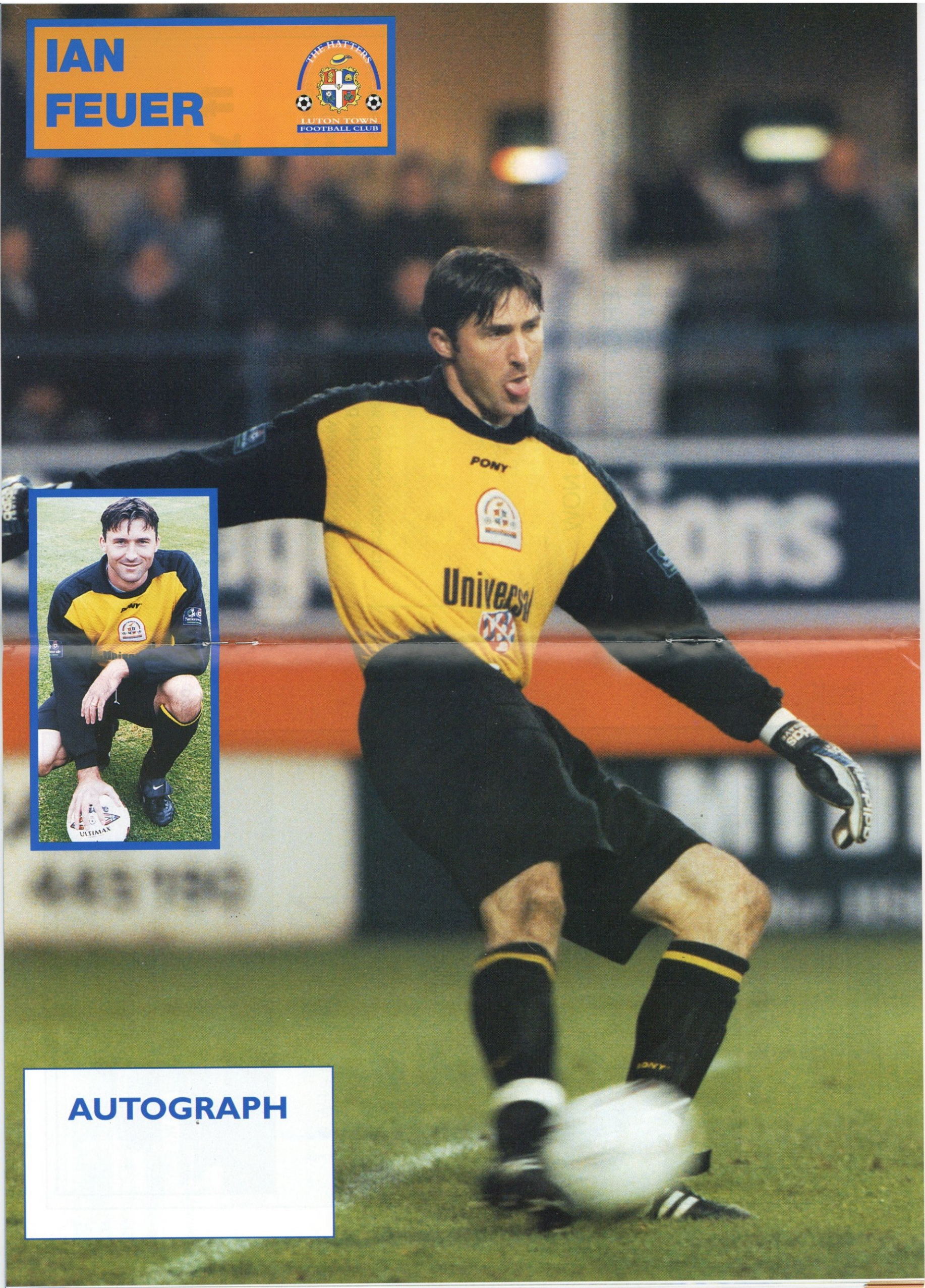
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LAST TIME WE MET.... Watford I (Bazeley) Luton Town I (Showler)..... 29/10/96



ABOVE: Tony Thorpe gets in a second-half shot, as Hornets skipper Robert Page makes the tackle.

LEFT: Mitchell Thomas causes problems for the home defence, and Watford keeper Kevin Miller in particular.

Pictures: **ANDY HANDLEY.**



ABOVE: Tony Thorpe made an early break for the Hatters, despite the attentions of Watford midfielder Richard Johnson.

LEFT: Thorpe (10) and Luton scorer Paul Showler (11) challenge Watford duo Nigel Gibbs (2) and Robert Page (6).

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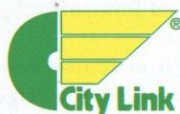
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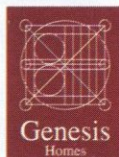
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INJURY UPDATE

Waddock battling to beat calf strain blow

The weather-enforced break over Christmas and the New Year gave a number of minor injuries a chance to clear up, but with the forthcoming heavy schedule we could be in for a busy treatment room once again.

GARY WADDOCK has been our main injury worry over the past three weeks, suffering with a calf strain he collected at Gillingham on Boxing Day.

He has been lucky in some ways to only miss a couple of games, because of the postponements, and at the time of writing these notes he was hoping to resume training on Thursday or Friday of last week.

DAVID OLDFIELD and PAUL McLAREN both suffered slight hamstring injuries during the game against Wrexham.

David of course has suffered with a long-term hamstring injury earlier in the season, but in both cases I think these injuries were a reaction to the long break, and the change from just training to playing in a match.

At the time of writing, David was a possible for the game at Bolton on Saturday, with Paul likely to need a little longer.

ANDREW FOTIADIS missed the reserve game last Monday, as he was suffering with a thigh strain, but KIM GRANT made a quick recovery from the ankle injury which forced him to withdraw from the Wrexham game shortly before kick-off.

A small piece of floating bone from the ankle, all part of the wear and tear of football, had become stuck in the ankle joint thus preventing full movement, but by the next day it had cleared and he was OK to resume against Bolton.

Supporters would have seen IAN FEUER receive treatment after just five minutes of the FA Cup game, after getting the ball full in the face.

Apart from a bloody nose there was no lasting damage.

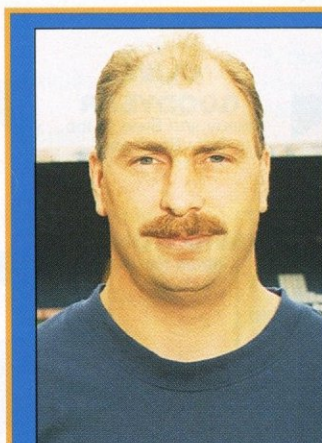
RICHARD HARVEY suffered a slight reaction recently in his recovery from a knee operation, but there have been no further problems and he is on the way to resuming training.



LEFT: Gary Waddock has been ruled out with a calf strain.



RIGHT: David Oldfield has been receiving treatment for a hamstring injury.



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THANKS to everyone who took part in our Christmas coaching courses across the region, with sessions in Bedford, Milton Keynes and Luton.

We can now give details of forthcoming Half-Term Holiday Courses to be held in February:

Venue: Wood End, JMI School, Yeomans Avenue, HARPENDEN

Dates: Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 February

Time: 10am to 1pm

Age: 6 to 13 years

Cost: £18 (to include free adult and junior ticket for Luton Town v Millwall on March 8).

Venue: St Joseph's Junior School, Gardenia Avenue, LUTON

Dates: Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 February

Time: 10am to 1pm

Age: 6 to 13 years

Cost: £18 (to include free adult and junior ticket for Luton Town v Millwall on March 8).

Venue: Edward Peake Middle School, Potton Road, BIGGLESWADE

Date: Wednesday 19 February

Time: 10am to 1pm

Age: 6 to 13 years

Cost: £8

Venue: MK Sports Club, Woughton-on-the-Green, MILTON KEYNES

Dates: Thursday 20 and Friday 21 February

Time: 10am to 1pm

Age: 6 to 13 years

Cost: £18 (to include free adult and junior ticket for Luton Town v Millwall on March 8).

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Nick Owen Lounge (season ticket holders only, passes to be shown): the bar will be open from 1.30 to 2.45pm and 4.45 to 7pm on Saturdays, and from 6.30 to 7.30pm, and from 9.30 to 11pm at midweek games. Rolls and hot pies are available to buy, and entry is via the door opposite the iron staircase at the rear of the main stand.

The Hatters Bar, under the Kenilworth Stand (members over 18): this bar will be open from 1.30 to 2.45pm on Saturdays, and from 6.30 to 7.30pm at midweek games. Drinks must be consumed in the licensed area which is marked by the wide yellow line.



Venue: St Gregorys Middle School, Biddenham Turn, BEDFORD (in conjunction with Samba Soccer).

Dates: Thursday 20 and Friday 21 February

Time: 10am to 1pm

Age: 5 to 12 years

Cost: £12 or £16 (the latter to include free adult and junior ticket for Luton Town v Brentford on March 21).

For all these courses, please bring warm clothing, football boots, and a drink/snack. Please note that the course at Milton Keynes will be on astroturf, and trainers or astroturf boots will be required.

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RESERVES AND YOUTH ROUND-UP



THE Reserves resumed Avon Insurance Combination League action with a 2-1 win at Bristol Rovers.

In a game played at non-league Yate Town, the Hatters goalscorers were Sean Evers and Robert Kean, although Aaron Skelton was sent off.

Triallist Lee Marshall, from Nottingham, played for Luton.

Team: Davis, Chenery, Skelton, Evers, Willmott (Fraser), Upson, L. Marshall (Spring), Linton, Douglas, Sweeney, Kean.

Sub not used: Doherty.

The Reserves were at Hitchin last Monday, going down 3-2 to Cardiff City.

The Welsh side led 1-0 at half-time, and were later 2-0 and 3-1 in front.

Luton's scorers were Robert Kean and Chris Willmott - the latter netting a penalty.

Team: Davis, Patterson, Chenery, Evers, Willmott, Upson, L. Marshall, Skelton, Douglas, Sweeney, Kean.

Subs: Jones, Spring, Scarlett.

The Youth team maintained their second place in Division Two of the South East Counties League, with last Saturday's 3-1 win at Southampton.

This weekend they were due to play at leaders Crystal Palace.

At Southampton, Liam George

scored all three Luton goals, one coming from the penalty spot.

Team: Tate, Lawes, McIndoe, Spring, Jones, Fraser, Cox, George, Doherty, Sweeney, Scarlett.

Subs (not used): Barr, Clarke, Ayres.

The Youth team will travel to Sunderland in the fourth round of the FA Youth Cup, after the Roker side won 2-1 at Oldham in round three.

The fourth round match will take place at Roker Park on Tuesday,

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wimbledon	10	7	2	1	26	14	23
Tottenham	10	7	0	3	26	10	21
Chelsea	10	6	2	2	20	11	20
Portsmouth	12	6	1	5	15	16	19
Arsenal	9	5	2	2	23	7	17
Ipswich	9	5	2	2	17	7	17
Bournemouth	9	5	0	4	21	20	15
QPR	10	4	3	3	18	17	15
LUTON TOWN	9	5	0	4	11	11	15
Swindon	10	4	2	4	18	15	14
Brighton	11	3	5	3	21	22	14
Oxford	10	4	2	4	19	21	14
Swansea	10	4	1	5	14	16	13
Bristol City	9	3	2	4	16	16	11
Cardiff	10	2	5	3	8	13	11
Crystal Palace	9	3	2	4	7	15	11
Millwall	9	3	1	5	16	18	10
Watford	9	3	1	5	12	19	10
Norwich	9	2	3	4	14	18	9
West Ham	10	2	3	5	10	17	9
Bristol R	12	2	3	7	11	26	9
Southampton	8	2	1	5	12	14	7
Charlton	8	2	1	5	9	21	7

League table up to and including 15.1.97.

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION 1996/97 APPS & SCORERS (20.1.97)

APPS	G	APPS	G
Kelvin DAVIS	10	Des LINTON	4
Sean EVERS	12	Kim GRANT	1
Ben CHENERY	12	Dwight MARSHALL	(1)
Paul McLAREN	10	Jimmy COX	(1)
Gary SIMPSON	2	Stuart FRASER	1 (1)
Chris WILLMOTT	12 (1)	Mark BROWN	1
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	3	David OLDFIELD	2
Tony THORPE	3	Michael McINDOE	1
John TAYLOR	4	Andrew FOTIADIS	1
Stuart DOUGLAS	8	Lee MARSHALL	2
Robert KEAN	13		
Jamie WOODSFORD	3 (1)		
Andre SCARLETT	1 (2)		
Matthew UPSON	8		
Steve AUGUSTINE	(3)		
Nathan ABBEY	3		
Trevor PEAKE	2		
Darren PATTERSON	6		
Paul SHOWLER	3		
Aaron SKELTON	8		
Liam GEORGE	4 (3)		
Andrew BARR	(3)		
Matthew SPRING	(2)		
Terry SWEENEY	3 (2)		

League Cup Group 3

P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
West Ham	4	3	0	1	7	9
Arsenal	3	2	0	1	4	6
LUTON	3	2	0	1	4	6
Ipswich	2	0	0	2	1	5
Norwich	2	0	0	2	0	4

February 11, kick-off 7.30pm.

If a replay is required it would be played on Wednesday, February 19, kick-off 7.30pm here at Kenilworth Road. Admission would be £3 for adults and £1 concessions.

Our Beds Premier Cup semi-final against Stotfold will be played on Monday, February 3, kick-off 7.30pm, at Roker Park, Stotfold!

Admission prices are £2 for adults and £1 concessions.



ABOVE: Sean Evers was on target for the Reserves in their 2-1 win against Bristol Rovers.

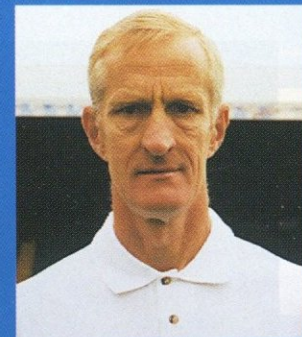
SOUTH EAST COUNTIES DIV TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
C Palace	17	12	4	1	43	15	28
LUTON TOWN	17	12	3	2	38	15	27
Tottenham	20	9	6	5	36	18	24
Oxford	17	9	5	3	36	23	23
Southampton	16	11	0	5	37	16	22
Swindon	18	8	5	5	35	23	21
Wycombe	19	8	4	7	24	20	20
Brighton	18	7	4	7	21	31	18
Wimbledon	17	6	4	7	24	20	16
Bristol C	16	5	5	6	25	31	15
Bristol R	17	7	0	10	33	39	14
Bournemouth	15	6	2	7	25	32	14
Colchester	16	5	3	8	25	27	13
Brentford	17	3	3	11	23	38	9
Reading	19	4	1	14	20	63	9
Barnet	19	2	1	16	14	48	5

League table as at January 18, 1997



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Sat Aug 17 Bristol Rovers	won 4-1	Mon Dec 2 Oxford Utd (FAYC2)	drew 1-1
Sat Aug 24 READING	won 7-0	Sat Dec 7 Brentford	won 3-1
Tue Aug 27 Bournemouth (SJFC)	drew 1-1	Tue Dec 10 Royston (EJC)	won 2-1
Sat Aug 31 Colchester	lost 3-2	Thur Dec 19 OXFORD U (FAYC2)	won 3-2
Tue Sep 3 B'MOUTH (SJFC)	won 3-1	Sat Dec 21 BRISTOL ROVERS	won 2-1
Sat Sep 7 SOUTHAMPTON	won 1-0	Wed Jan 8 Torquay (FAYC3)	won 2-0
Sat Sep 14 Cambridge U (LC1)	won 2-0	Sat Jan 18 Southampton	won 3-1
Tue Sep 17 Wolves (SJFC)	lost 2-1	Sat Jan 25 Crystal Palace	
Sat Sep 21 CRYSTAL PALACE	lost 1-0	Sat Feb 1 Reading	
Sat Sep 28 Tottenham	won 2-0	Sat Feb 8 TOTTENHAM	11am
Sat Oct 5 OXFORD UTD	drew 1-1	Sat Feb 15 Oxford United	
Sat Oct 12 Swindon Town	drew 2-2	Sat Mar 1 Wimbledon	
Wed Oct 16 Rushden & D (EJC)	won 3-2	Sat Mar 8 WYCOMBE W	11am
Sat Oct 19 Colchester (LC2)	lost 3-2	Sat Mar 15 BOURNEMOUTH	11am
Sat Oct 26 WIMBLEDON	won 2-0	Sat Mar 22 Barnet	
Sat Nov 2 Wycombe W	won 1-0	Sat Apr 5 Brighton	
Sat Nov 9 BARNET	won 2-1	Sat Apr 12 BRENTFORD	11am
Tue Nov 12 Hereford U (FAYC1)	won 3-1	TBA BRISTOL CITY & Bristol City	
Sat Nov 16 Bournemouth	won 2-0	TBA COLCHESTER	
Sat Nov 23 SWINDON TOWN	won 2-1	Home league matches at Luton Rugby Club.	
Sat Nov 30 BRIGHTON	drew 2-2		

LGE APPS G CUP APPS G YOUTH TEAM 1996/97 LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES & SCORERS

	LGE APPS	G	CUP APPS	G	YOUTH TEAM 1996/97 LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES & SCORERS
Daniel TATE	12		7		Up to and including January 18, 1997.
Gary DOHERTY	16	3	7 (1)		
Ian JONES	8		4		
Matthew UPSON	4		7		
Steve AUGUSTINE	8	3	5	3	
Matthew SPRING	16 (1)	1	10 (1)	2	
Jimmy COX	12 (2)	1	8 (2)	3	
Liam GEORGE	15 (1)	12	9	6	
Andre SCARLETT	10 (6)		6 (2)	1	
Andrew BARR	15 (1)	9	8	1	
Andrew SMITH	4 (2)	3	4	2	
Russell LAWES	11 (1)		8 (1)		
Mark HILLYARD	1 (3)		1	1	
Richard CLARKE	6 (3)	1	6 (2)	1	
Terry SWEENEY	12	5	8	2	
Nick WEBB	5		4		
Emerson BOYCE	10 (1)		4 (1)		
Stuart FRASER	9 (1)		6 (1)		
Michael McINDOE	10		4 (1)		
Moses JERRY	1 (3)		2		
Delroy McKOY	1 (1)		1		
James AYRES	1		1		
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Those were the days

PROMOTION for Watford from the old Division Three in 1979 signalled the resumption of battles against our old rivals and, despite the attempts of both David Pleat and Graham Taylor to play down the importance of the fixture, the days were ticked off as the first derby match for seven years approached.

Boxing Day 1979 will live long in the memories of both sets of supporters, with fullback Kirk Stephens stealing in to head home a long cross from Bob Hatton, to seal a tremendous win and set up a run of 1-0 victories for the Hatters against the Hornets.

A single strike from Hatton secured the double later on that season, and goals from Steve White turned the screw even further as we achieved consecutive 1-0 wins the following campaign, much to the annoyance of the residents of South Hertfordshire.

With Watford having now settled in the old Division Two, and the Town having twice narrowly missed out on promotion, season 1981/82 was looked on with great optimism by both sets of supporters who were looking for the final push for a place in Division One.

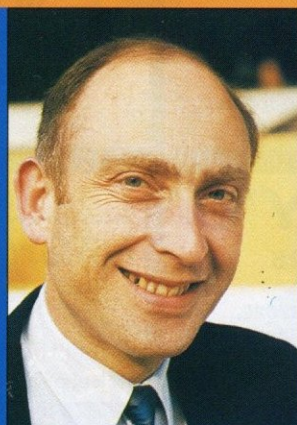
We opened the campaign with an easy 3-0 home win over newly promoted Charlton, and followed it up with a victory at QPR on the first game to be played on plastic.

Both points were won at Bolton to set up the perfect start, but we were then brought back to earth with a bang when Sheffield Wednesday came to Kenilworth Road and thrashed us 3-0 in front of the TV cameras.

We maintained our 100 per cent away record when two goals from White helped us to a 2-1 win at Leicester the following week, but the good work was undone when lowly Cardiff, playing above themselves as it eventually turned out, turned us over at Kenilworth Road.

Our next game was at home to the Hornets, and with our inconsistent displays at Kenilworth Road never had there been a better time for Watford to end the Luton jinx.

Watford had enjoyed a good start to the campaign, and came to Luton on the back of three consecutive



by **ROGER WASH**

victories, including wins at both Chelsea and Wrexham, but it was the Town who came out of the trap the

stronger and attacked with a will from the start.

We had opted to dispense with a sweeper system and recalled Lil Fuccillo in place of Raddy Antic, while Watford decided to employ teenage wingers Nigel Callaghan and John Barnes in an attacking formation designed to take the game to the Town.

The two youngsters were by-passed and were left to look on as bystanders as the Town attacked with a purpose winning the midfield immediately. After good saves from Steve Sherwood in the Watford goal, the breakthrough came after 33 minutes when Hornets' forward Gerry Armstrong, back helping his overrun defence, brought down David Moss who was cutting in from the byline. Moss duly converted the resulting penalty for his first goal of the season. The score was doubled four minutes

later when Ian Bolton fouled Brian Stein in the area, and Moss picked his spot again to send the Luton fans delirious.

The fun was not yet over with Stein making it three just before the break after taking a delightful through ball from Ricky Hill in his stride.

The second half was always going to be an anticlimax especially after Stein scored number four on 52 minutes, heading home a Moss centre after a sweeping move. Although Watford reduced the deficit with a deflected Bolton free-kick, the eventual result was emphatic and pushed us up to second spot in the table. It was also our biggest derby win for 45 years.

Graham Taylor took the blame for the defeat and admitted that he was wrong to play with such an attacking formation against a side that had the look of a Brazilian side in full cry, especially in the first half.

The 'Watford Observer' was not so generous however, and moaned about the failure of the Hornets' young wingers to make headway on "Luton's narrow track". As there was only 18 inches difference in width between the two pitches we took this as sour grapes!

By the time of the return, in February, we were sitting



ABOVE: Brian Stein takes on Watford defender Steve Terry, during our clash at Vicarage Road in 1982.

pretty at the top of the table and had the luxury of two games in hand over Watford, in second place, and had played four games less than third placed Oldham.

There was massive interest in the game and a crowd of 22,580, over 5,000 higher than Watford's previous best that season, gathered at Vicarage Road to watch an absorbing contest brought about by a contrast in styles. Watford employed quick, long passes to move from defence to attack, while the Town used a short passing game.

The Hornets had the best of the opening period and took the lead after eight minutes when Wilf Rostron hit the ball home from 25 yards, but the Town fought back and went close several times before the best player on the field, Brian Stein, equalised on 33 minutes after turning Watford defender Steve Terry in the area.

The second half saw the Luton defence under a fair amount of pressure, but we looked the more likely to

score from our frequent breakaways.

As a spectator you always felt however, that both teams were happy to settle for a draw and that is how it finished, with honours even, and Watford finally halting the run of defeats against the enemy.

We did not care though, as we were still four points clear at the top and on our way to the Championship! Luton (first game): Findlay, Stephens, Aizlewood, Horton, Saxby, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, White, Fuccillo, Moss.

Luton (second game): Same team apart from Goodyear replacing Saxby.

Watford (first game): Sherwood, Rice, Jackett, Taylor, Sims, Bolton, Callaghan, Jenkins (Poskett), Armstrong, Blissett, Barnes.

Watford (second game): Sherwood, Rice, Rostron, Taylor, Terry, Bolton, Callaghan, Blissett (Armstrong), Jenkins, Lohman, Barnes.

5 YEARS AGO

1/2/92: It was now three defeats in a row as we went down 3-2 at Sheffield Wednesday, with the Owls' winner coming in the final minute. On the scoresheet for the Town were Scott Oakes, with his first goal for the club, and David Preece.

10 YEARS AGO

24/1/87: A solitary strike from Mike Newell was enough to gain all three points in a victory over Leicester at Kenilworth Road. The win pushed us up to fourth spot in the old Division One.

15 YEARS AGO

30/1/82: Again it was Leicester on the end of a defeat at Kenilworth Road, this time 2-1, with goals from Steve White and Mal Donaghy. This was only the second league game played by the Town during the month, but we consolidated our place at the head of the old Division Two.

20 YEARS AGO

24/1/77: A run-of-the-mill league game against Hull at Kenilworth Road, exploded into life when goals from John Aston and Jim Husband in the final couple of minutes secured an unlikely win. The Tigers had scored early on, and sat back on a lead they did not look like losing.

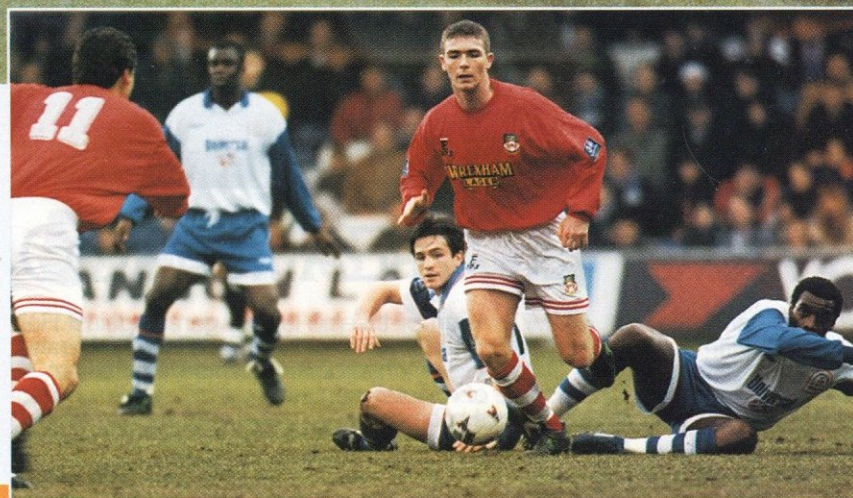
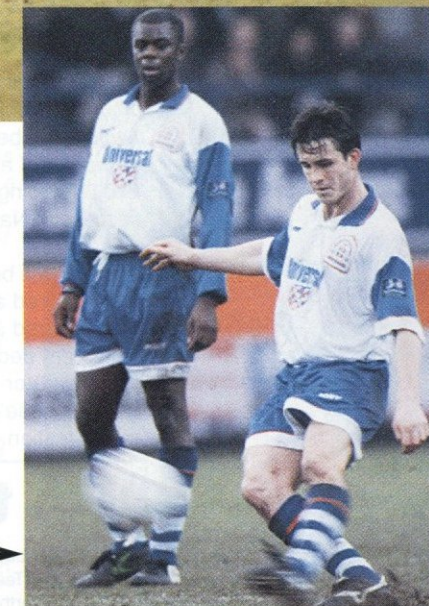


Marvin Johnson clears for the Hatters against Wrexham, watched by Steve Davis (left).

Tony Thorpe pulls the ball back in a bid to set up an opening for the Luton, with a Wrexham defender and keeper Andy Marriott looking on.

Ceri Hughes and Mitchell Thomas go to ground against the Robins.

Ceri Hughes looks to test his fellow Welshmen with a free-kick, under the watchful eye of Marvin Johnson.



ACTION STATIONS

Luton Town 0 Wrexham 0

Saturday, January 18, 1997 - Nationwide League Division Two

Attendance: 5,734

Pictures by Andy Handley



League's weather warning

IN the event of wintry weather causing disruption to Nationwide League fixtures, and the Football League have once again outlined their early warning procedure for the inspection of pitches.

In an effort to prevent unnecessary inconvenience to supporters, League clubs are instructed to liaise closely to ascertain the travelling arrangements of visiting supporters.

Home clubs are also asked to contact match referees for travel details and any plans to stay overnight in order that they can be reached at short notice.

Clubs can also request referees to travel the day before the match if an early pitch inspection is necessary.

In the event that the match referee is unable to travel early, the Football League would call in a local official to advise them on the condition of the pitch.

Regardless of weather conditions prevailing at the time, referees are required to report at the home club during the months of November, December, January and February at least two hours before the advertised kick-off time.

FA's £30,000 incentive to reward fair play

THE Football Association have once again put forward a £30,000 incentive this season for the 72 clubs across the three divisions of the Nationwide Football League, to reward attractive, open play and discourage misconduct on the field.

Introduced in the 1993/94 season, the FA Fair Play Awards Scheme incorporates the principle of a fair play league - reflecting the conduct of players on the field of play - and combines this with the more positive aspects of a team's performance - scoring goals.

Points are awarded on a debit and credit basis with the FA Fair Play awards going to the club in each division of the Football League who finishes the season with the highest credit balance.

The divisional winners of the FA Fair Play Awards will be determined by who finishes at the top of a series of merit tables, with £10,000 going to each of the three successful Nationwide Football League sides.

Teams will be credited with two points for goals scored at home and four points for goals scored away from home. However, points are deducted for players cautioned (one point) or sent off (two points).

Only league games are taken into consideration, to ensure that records are

based on an equal number of games played.

Last season's Divisional Winners were Ipswich Town, Crewe and Preston.

Luton manager Lennie Lawrence has praised his side's disciplinary record so far this season.

Speaking on ClubCall, Mr Lawrence said: "For us to get to the middle of January without any suspensions from accumulated bookings is really a feat.

"One or two are not far away, but that's an area where the cold spell has helped us.

"If you get 21 points from bookings by November you get three games suspended, by February two games, and after that one.

"So obviously with games postponed we get nearer to the end of February without having to play the games, so with a bit of luck we may only get one or two with a two-game ban.

"That's good for us after last year, and any sendings-off, touch wood, have been at the start of the season, with Tony Thorpe deservedly and Gary Waddock unluckily, getting red cards.

"A lot of clubs will be losing players through suspension at this time of year, and we need to keep all the players available for as long as we can."

Win tickets for your Junior team

DRAGONS Youth Under 11s are the latest winners of our Junior Team of the Month, and will be our guests at a forthcoming home match.

Dragons lost all their matches last season, but this term have started to turn things around with several wins, and even the defeats are not by the 10-0 margins they were experiencing last time.

The Loyal Luton Supporters Club are once again sponsoring the Young Team of the Month Award, having received a grant from NatWest Bank as part of the bank's Community Action Scheme.

The award is run on a monthly self-nomination

basis, and is open to all teams, boys and girls under the age of 16. Winners receive 15 tickets (13 children and 2 adults) to a chosen Luton home match.

Anyone wanting to nominate their local youth, school, cubs or girls team, should send a letter to Simon Oxley at Luton Town Football Club, briefly explaining why they think they deserve to win one of the monthly awards.

We have already received a number of nominations. If your team wasn't selected this time, they might be next month.

All remaining nominations will be considered throughout the rest of the season.

Our November winners, Bushmead Wanderers, were finally able to enjoy their prize of match tickets for the game against Wrexham.

Cobblers to Plymouth in Shield area draw

THE draw for the third round of the Auto Windscreens Shield - the southern area quarter-finals - has given Luton a possible trip to Plymouth!

First the Hatters must overcome Northampton in the second round, after Neil Warnock's side beat third division strugglers Brighton 1-0 at Home Park last Tuesday.

Luton's trip to Northampton's Sixfields Stadium will now take place on either Tuesday, January 4, or a week later on January 11.

At the time of writing we were still awaiting the conclusion of the FA Cup third round tie with Bolton.

Victory at Burnden Park would mean a fourth round game at home to Chesterfield on January 4, with the trip to Sixfields on January 11.

In the original draw schedule, the third round (below) was due this Wednesday!

Third round draw:

Southern section: Plymouth v Northampton or Luton; Brentford v Colchester; Watford v Bristol City; Exeter v Peterborough.

Northern section: York v Carlisle or Hull; Bury v Burnley or Stockport; Wrexham or Crewe v Blackpool; Shrewsbury v Scunthorpe or Notts C. To be played w/c January 27.

Trust gives stadium bid £3m boost

SIR Stanley Matthews was on hand at Stoke City's recent Nationwide League fixture with Swindon, to collect a cheque for £3 million from the Football Trust which will go towards the Potters' new £14 million stadium at Trentham Lakes.

The First Division club's new development, which will seat 28,000 supporters, is scheduled to be up and running for the start of next season and will incorporate a sports centre for the community in the state-of-the-art design.

Peter Lee, the Football Trust's Chief Executive, said: "We were delighted to play an important part in Stoke City's excellent relocation project.

"The Taylor Report is transforming football and with the help from the Trust our top professional clubs have grounds to be proud of. We want to see the job properly completed in the lower division clubs, which is why the decline in our income is such a great concern. It is vital we have a secure source of income to enable us to continue our important work of helping the game at all levels."

Sky and ITV confirm more 'live' matches

SKY Television and ITV have announced further Nationwide League fixtures which they will be transmitting live over the next couple of months.

ITV have announced a further game from their quota of 10 live fixtures for the season which will come from the Manor Ground between Oxford and Manchester City on Sunday, February 2.

Nationwide League matches being shown live on Sky Sports:

Monday, January 27 - LUTON TOWN v Watford
Friday, January 31 - Fulham v Cardiff
Friday, February 7 - Stoke v Oxford
Sunday, February 9 - Sheffield Utd v Norwich
Friday, February 21 - Cambridge v Carlisle
Friday, March 7 - Barnsley v Sheffield Utd
Friday, March 21 - LUTON TOWN v Brentford
Sunday, March 23 - Oldham v Crystal Palace

County boss takes title

STOCKPORT County boss David Jones won the Division Two Manager of the Month award for December.

The Edgeley Park club were unbeaten in four Nationwide fixtures, progressed to the fifth round of the Coca-Cola Cup after beating Premiership West Ham, and maintained their interest in the FA and Auto Windscreens Cup competitions.

FORTHCOMING MATCHES IN NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Monday, January 27
LUTON TOWN v Watford

Saturday, February 1
Bournemouth v Blackpool
Bristol R v Shrewsbury
Crewe v Burnley
Millwall v Bristol City
Notts County v LUTON TOWN
Peterborough v Walsall
Plymouth v Wycombe
Preston v Chesterfield
Stockport C v Brentford
Watford v Rotherham
Wrexham v Gillingham
York v Bury

Saturday, February 8
Blackpool v Peterborough
Brentford v Watford
Bristol C v Stockport C
Burnley v York
Bury v Bournemouth
Chesterfield v Wrexham
Gillingham v Bristol R
LUTON TOWN v Plymouth
Rotherham v Preston
Shrewsbury v Notts County
Walsall v Millwall
Wycombe v Crewe

Saturday, February 15
Bournemouth v Burnley
Bristol R v LUTON TOWN
Crewe v Walsall
Millwall v Rotherham
Notts County v Blackpool
Peterborough v Bristol C
Plymouth v Bury
Preston v Wycombe
Stockport v Shrewsbury
Watford v Chesterfield
Wrexham v Brentford
York v Gillingham

Saturday, February 22
Blackpool v Stockport
Brentford v Bournemouth
Bristol C v Crewe
Burnley v Bristol R
Bury v Notts County
Chesterfield v Plymouth
Gillingham v Peterborough
LUTON TOWN v Preston
Rotherham v Wrexham
Shrewsbury v Millwall
Walsall v York
Wycombe v Watford



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away game

LTFC KIT PRICES 1996/97



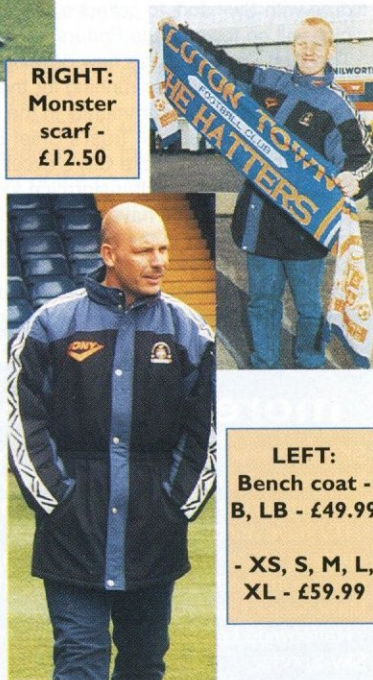
LEFT: Luton Town 'Third' Shirts

SB (22-24), B (26-28),
LB (30-32) - £29.99
Youths - £34.99
S (34-36), M (38-40),
L (42-44)
XL (46-48), XXL (50+)
- £38.99

Luton Town 'Third' Shorts
SB, B, LB, Yths - £15.99
S, M, L, XL - £19.99

Luton Town 'Third' Socks
B, LB - £5.99
Mens - £7.99

RIGHT: Monster scarf - £12.50



LEFT: Bench coat - B, LB - £49.99
- XS, S, M, L, XL - £59.99

LEFT: Luton Town Home Shirts
SB (22-24), B (26-28),
LB (30-32) - £27.99

S (34-36), M (38-40),
L (42-44) - £34.99

XL (46-48), XXL (50+)
- £36.99

Luton Town Home Shorts
SB, B, LB - £14.99
S, M, L - £19.99

Luton Town Home Socks
B, LB - £5.99
Mens - £6.99

RIGHT: Luton Town baseball caps - £8.50 each.



ABOVE: College style jacket - grey with navy sleeves - fully lined. M, L, XL - £55.00



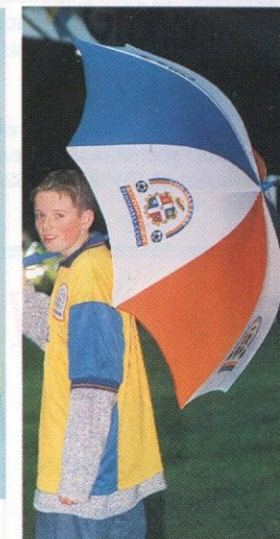
ABOVE: Bronx hats - navy & black - £4.99

Luton Town Away Shirts
SB (22-24), B (26-28),
LB (30-32) - £27.99
S (34-36), M (38-40),
L (42-44) - £34.99
XL (46-48), XXL (50+) - £36.99

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The WHITBREAD BEER COMPANY has had a long association with both Luton and Luton Town Football Club, and are pleased to continue their association by jointly sponsoring tonight's game.

A warm welcome also to tonight's matchball sponsor MR MARK DURBRIDGE and his guests, who have joined us from Surrey.

If you or your company would like details of match or matchball sponsorship, please contact the Commercial Department on (01582) 411622.

COMMERCIAL NEWS



with **KATHY LEATHER**

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For full details, or to arrange a visit, please contact the Commercial Department on Luton (01582) 411622.



ABOVE: Luton Town director Chris Green, also a director of Sky Ford, is pictured after his company's recent sponsorship of our game against Wrexham.



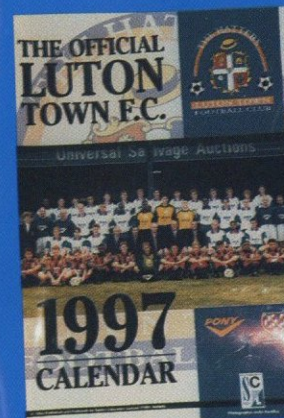
LEFT: Send a greetings card to a loved one, signed by their favourite LTFC player! Cost per signed card is £2.00, and cheques (to LTFC) should be sent to: Kathy Leather, Greeting Card Offer, Luton Town FC, 1 Maple Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 8AW.

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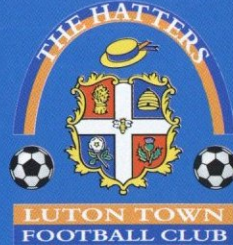
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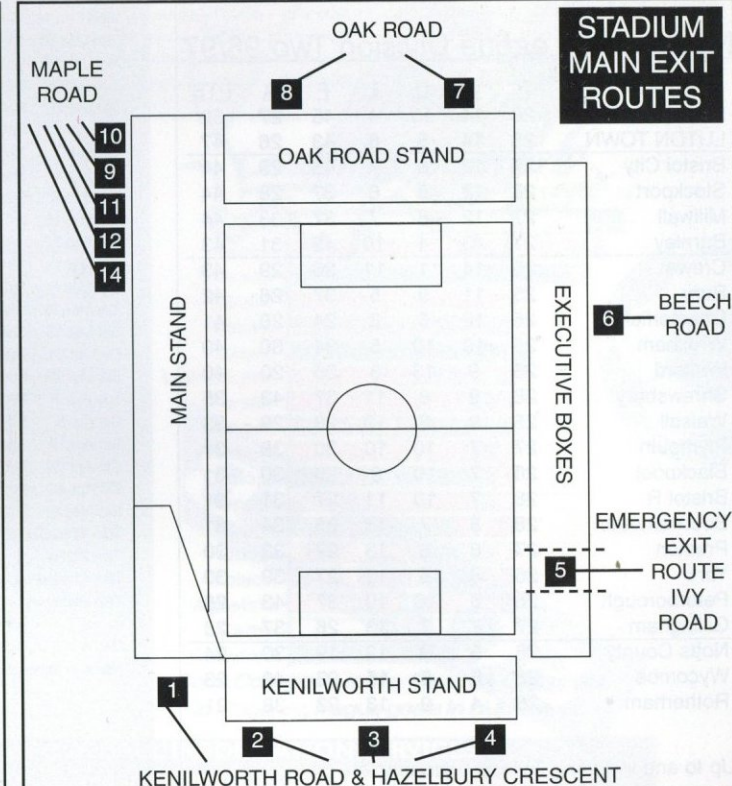
LTFC EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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- Ensure the safe and controlled evacuation of the ground.
- Ensure the dispersal of the crowd from the area to allow the emergency services to carry out their tasks.

In the event on an evacuation of all or part of the stadium, you will receive instructions over the public address system on how you should leave the stadium. Stewards will direct you to the nearest exit. It may be that your normal exit route will not be available. On leaving the stadium, you will find some roads closed to pedestrian traffic, to enable swift and unobstructed arrival of the emergency services.

Please leave the area of the ground as quickly as possible by the route directed. Your co-operation will be most appreciated.
GEOFF LOVELL, Safety Manager.



LUTON TOWN 1996/97

PLAYER (figure in bracket = sub app.)	LEAGUE APPS	LEAGUE GOALS	CUP APPS	CUP GOALS
Ian FEUER	25		9	
Julian JAMES	25	1	10	1
Mitchell THOMAS	25	2	7	
Gary WADDOCK	21		8	
Darren PATTERSON	3		2 (1)	
Marvin JOHNSON	23		8	1
Bontcho GUENTCHEV	11 (10)	1	5 (3)	
Graham ALEXANDER	24 (1)	1	9 (1)	
David OLDFIELD	12 (5)	3	5 (1)	2
Kim GRANT	8 (7)	2	5 (2)	3
Tony THORPE	19 (2)	16	5 (1)	2
Andrew FOTIADIS	5 (4)	1	(2)	
Des LINTON	(3)		3	
Steve DAVIS	23 (1)	4	10	1
Ceri HUGHES	22	3	10	2
Paul SHOWLER	14 (2)	6	6 (2)	
Matthew UPSON	(1)			
Stuart DOUGLAS	2 (7)		1 (1)	
Paul McLAREN	4 (5)		(1)	
Aaron SKELTON	2 (1)		3	
Dwight MARSHALL	7 (1)	3	3 (1)	2
Kelvin DAVIS			1	
Own goal				1

Nationwide League Division Two 96/97

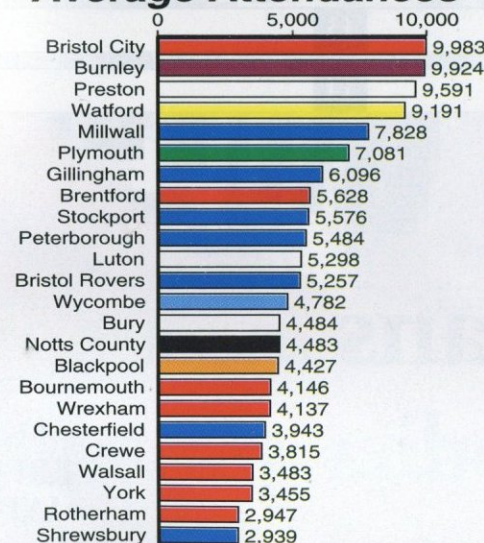
	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Brentford	28	14	10	4	45	27	52
LUTON TOWN	25	14	5	6	43	26	47
Bristol City	27	12	8	7	45	29	44
Stockport	26	12	8	6	37	28	44
Millwall	27	12	8	7	37	33	44
Burnley	27	13	4	10	42	31	43
Crewe	26	14	1	11	36	29	43
Bury	25	11	9	5	37	26	42
Chesterfield	25	12	5	8	24	20	41
Wrexham	25	10	10	5	34	30	40
Watford	25	9	13	3	26	20	40
Shrewsbury	28	9	8	11	37	43	35
Walsall	25	9	6	10	28	29	33
Plymouth	27	7	10	10	30	38	31
Blackpool	26	7	10	9	29	30	31
Bristol R	28	7	10	11	27	31	31
Bournemouth	28	8	7	13	25	34	31
Preston	27	8	6	13	27	33	30
York	26	8	6	12	27	39	30
Peterborough	26	6	10	10	37	43	28
Gillingham	27	7	7	13	26	37	28
Notts County	26	5	9	12	19	30	24
Wycombe	26	6	5	15	23	40	23
Rotherham	26	4	9	13	23	38	21

Up to and including Tuesday, January 21.

DATE	OPPONENTS	F-A	ATT	POS	GK	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sat Aug 17	BURNLEY	1-2	6,484	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	(Patterson)	Johnson	Guentchev	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(Grant)	THORPE	(Fotiadis)	(Linton)	(S.Davis)
Tue Aug 20	BRISTOL ROVERS CCC1 (1)	3-0	2,643	-	Feuer	(James)	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	(Johnson)	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	GRANT	(THORPE)	(Patterson)	(Guentchev)	(Showler)
Sat Aug 24	Brentford	2-3	5,404	22	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	HUGHES	Alexander	Oldfield	(Grant)	THORPE	Linton	(Guentchev)	Showler
Tue Aug 27	Bristol City	0-5	7,028	24	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	Hughes	(Showler)	(Oldfield)	(Grant)	Thorpe	(Alexander)	(Guentchev)	(Fotiadis)
Sat Aug 31	ROTHERHAM	1-0	4,547	19	Feuer	(James)	THOMAS	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(Grant)	Showler	(Thorpe)	(Guentchev)	(Upson)
Wed Sep 4	Bristol Rovers CCC1 (2)	1-2	2,320	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Linton	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	Guentchev	(Showler)	Thorpe	(Fotiadis)	McLaren
Sat Sep 7	Wycombe Wanderers	1-0	6,471	15	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	(Fotiadis)	Guentchev	(Thorpe)	Showler	McLaren
Tue Sep 10	GILLINGHAM	2-1	4,604	11	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	OLDFIELD	(Fotiadis)	GUENTCHEV	(Grant)	Showler	McLaren
Sat Sep 14	CHESTERFIELD	0-1	4,763	12	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(Grant)	Guentchev	Showler	(Fotiadis)	McLaren
Tue Sep 17	DERBY COUNTY CCC2 (1)	1-0	4,459	-	Feuer	JAMES	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	Oldfield	(Grant)	Guentchev	Showler	(Fotiadis)	McLaren
Sat Sep 21	Bury	0-0	3,588	15	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	Oldfield	(Fotiadis)	Guentchev	Showler	(Douglas)	McLaren
Wed Sep 25	Derby County CCC2 (2)	2-2	13,569	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Hughes)	Alexander	Oldfield	(GRANT)	Guentchev	Patterson	Showler	(THORPE)
Sat Sep 28	BLACKPOOL	1-0	5,303	12	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(GRANT)	Guentchev	Showler	(Fotiadis)	(Douglas)
Sat Oct 5	WALSALL	3-1	5,002	11	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	(Hughes)	Alexander	THORPE	(FOTIADIS)(Guentchev)	(SHOWLER)(McLaren)	(Douglas)		
Sat Oct 12	Shrewsbury Town	3-0	3,357	8	Feuer	(James)	THOMAS	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Thorpe)	GRANT	SHOWLER	(Guentchev)	(McLaren)	(Douglas)
Tue Oct 15	Stockport County	1-1	5,352	9	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.DAVIS	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Thorpe)	Grant	Showler	Guentchev	McLaren	(Oldfield)
Sat Oct 19	PETERBOROUGH UTD	3-0	5,964	7	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.DAVIS	Johnson	(Hughes)	Alexander	(Oldfield)	(Thorpe)	SHOWLER 2	(Guentchev)(McLaren)	(Fotiadis)	
Tue Oct 22	Wimbledon CCC3	1-1	5,043	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander	Oldfield	Thorpe	Showler	Guentchev	McLaren	Skelton
Sat Oct 26	BOURNEMOUTH	2-0	5,635	5	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	Skelton	Johnson	Hughes	(Alexander)	(Oldfield)	THORPE 2 (Showler)	(Guentchev)(McLaren)	(Douglas)		
Tue Oct 29	Watford	1-1	14,109	6	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Oldfield)	Thorpe	SHOWLER	Guentchev	McLaren	(Douglas)
Sat Nov 2	Plymouth Argyle	3-3	7,134	8	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Douglas)	THORPE 3 (Showler)	(Guentchev)	McLaren	(Grant)	
Sat Nov 9	NOTTS COUNTY	2-0	5,664	5	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander	Grant	(THORPE)	Guentchev	Marshall	McLaren	(Douglas)
Tue Nov 12	WIMBLEDON CCC3R	1-2	8,076	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Grant)	(Thorpe)	(Showler)	(Guentchev)(McLaren)	(Douglas)	
Sat Nov 16	Torquay Utd FAC1	1-0	3,450	-	Feuer	James	Skelton	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander	(Douglas)	Guentchev	Showler	Patterson	McLaren	(Marshall)
Tue Nov 19	Preston North End	2-3	7,004	7	Feuer	James	Thomas	(Waddock)	S.DAVIS 2	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Douglas)	(Guentchev)	Showler	(Skelton)	(McLaren)	(Marshall)
Sat Nov 23	BRISTOL ROVERS	2-1	5,315	4	Feuer	James	Thomas	McLaren	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Showler)	THORPE(MARSHALL)	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	Skelton	
Sat Nov 30	Bournemouth	2-3	4,322	6	Feuer	JAMES	Thomas	(Skelton)	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Showler)	(Thorpe)	MARSHALL	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	(Linton)
Tue Dec 3	YORK CITY	2-0	4,401	4	Feuer	James	Thomas	McLaren	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	Showler	THORPE(MARSHALL)	Guentchev	(Grant)	Linton	
Sat Dec 7	BOREHAM WOOD FAC2	2-1	5,332	-	Feuer	James	(Skelton)	Waddock	S.Davis	Patterson	Hughes	(Alexander)	Showler	Thorpe	MARSHALL 2	(Guentchev)	(Grant)	McLaren
Tue Dec 10	LEYTON ORIENT AWS1	2-1	1,594	-	K.Davis	(James)	Skelton	(Waddock)	S.DAVIS	Patterson	Hughes	Linton	Guentchev	GRANT	(Marshall)	(Oldfield)	(Showler)	(Alexander)
Sat Dec 14	CREWE ALEXANDRA	6-0	5,455	3	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	McLaren	ALEX'DERSHOWLER	(THORPE 3)	(Marshall)	(OLDFIELD)	(Grant)	Linton	
Wed Dec 18	Millwall	1-0	7,077	1	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	HUGHES	Alexander	Guentchev	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Oldfield)	Grant	McLaren
Thu Dec 26	Gillingham	2-1	8,598	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	Waddock	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	Guentchev	THORPE 2	(Marshall)	Grant	(Oldfield)	McLaren
Sat Jan 18	WREXHAM	0-0	5,734	2	Feuer	James	Thomas	(McLaren)	S.Davis	Johnson	Hughes	Alexander	(Showler)	Thorpe	(Marshall)	(Guentchev)	(Linton)	(Oldfield)
Tue Jan 21	BOLTON WANDERERS FA3	1-1	7,414	-	Feuer	James	Thomas	Linton	S.Davis	JOHNSON	Hughes	Alexander	Showler	Thorpe	(Marshall)	Guentchev	(Grant)	Skelton
Sat Jan 25	Bolton Wanderers FA3R																	
Mon Jan 27	WATFORD (7.45pm)																	
Sat Feb 1	Notts County																	
Tue Feb 4	Northampton AWS2 (or FA4 at home to Chesterfield)																	
Sat Feb 8	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE																	
Sat Feb 15	Bristol Rovers																	
Sat Feb 22	PRESTON NORTH END																	
Sat Mar 1	York City																	
Sat Mar 8	MILLWALL																	
Tue Mar 11	Wrexham																	
Sat Mar 15	Crewe Alexandra																	
Fri Mar 21	BRENTFORD																	
Sat Mar 29	Burnley																	
Tue Apr 1	BRISTOL CITY																	
Sat Apr 5	Rotherham United																	
Sat Apr 12	Walsall																	
Sat Apr 19	SHREWSBURY TOWN																	
Sat Apr 26	Peterborough Utd																	
Sat May 3	STOCKPORT COUNTY																	
TBA WYCOMBE																		
TBA BURY																		
TBA Chesterfield																		
TBA Blackpool																		

Game in BOLD denotes home match. Name in CAPITALS denotes goalscorer.
Name in (brackets) denotes player substituted or substitute used.

Average Attendances



Leading Scorers



Coca Cola goals in Sky Blue, FA Cup goals in Magenta, league goals in club colour.

Division Two stats from 96/97 - by FOOTBALL INFORMATION SERVICES
(Due to printing deadlines, stats up to and including Tuesday, January 21).

Today's referee is

MICK PIERCE
from Portsmouth.

Mr Pierce, a Transport Manager, joined the Football League list in 1989/90. He refereed our Coca-Cola Cup match at Wimbledon earlier this season.

P.A. Vosper



S.J. Lilley



NEXT WEEKEND'S DIV TWO MATCHES

Bournemouth v Blackpool
Bristol R v Shrewsbury T
Crewe Alex. v Burnley
Millwall v Bristol City
Notts C v Luton Town
Peterborough v Walsall
Plymouth v Wycombe
Preston v Chesterfield
Stockport v Brentford
Watford v Rotherham
Wrexham v Gillingham
York City v Bury

LUTON TOWN

Manager: Lennie Lawrence

WATFORD

Manager: Kenny Jackett

Ian FEUER	1	Kevin MILLER
Julian JAMES	2	Darren BAZELEY
Mitchell THOMAS	3	Nigel GIBBS
Des LINTON	4	Steve PALMER
Steve DAVIS	5	Keith MILLEN
Marvin JOHNSON	6	Robert PAGE
Ceri HUGHES	7	Stuart SLATER
Graham ALEXANDER	8	David CONNOLLY
Paul SHOWLER	9	Devon WHITE
Tony THORPE	10	Gary PENRICE
Dwight MARSHALL	11	Tommy MOONEY
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